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Dear Sir:

This Response is filed in response to the Office Action mailed July 22, 2005. Applicants hereby request entry of this Response, which is timely filed with the payment of a three-month extension fee up to and including January 23, 2006 (note that January 22, 2006 was a Sunday). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the requisite fee for filing of this amendment, as well as to credit any overpayment associated with filing of any other papers in connection with this application during its entire pendency, to Deposit Account No. 04-1679.

A listing of Claims in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.121(c) begins on page 2 of this Response.

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